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Chapter 2 - Viruses, Bacteria, Protists, and Fungi

Viruses - Lesson 1

Objectives

Name and describe the characteristics of viruses and how they multiply.

Discuss both positive and negative ways that viruses affect living things.

Virus

small - but vary in size and shape nonliving particle can not reproduce on its own have a protein coat that protects genetic material in core

Why are viruses considered nonliving?

Viruses are not cells.

Viruses do not use their own energy to grow.

Viruses can not make food or take in food.

Viruses can only multiply when in a living cell.

Virus Needs

Viruses need a host.

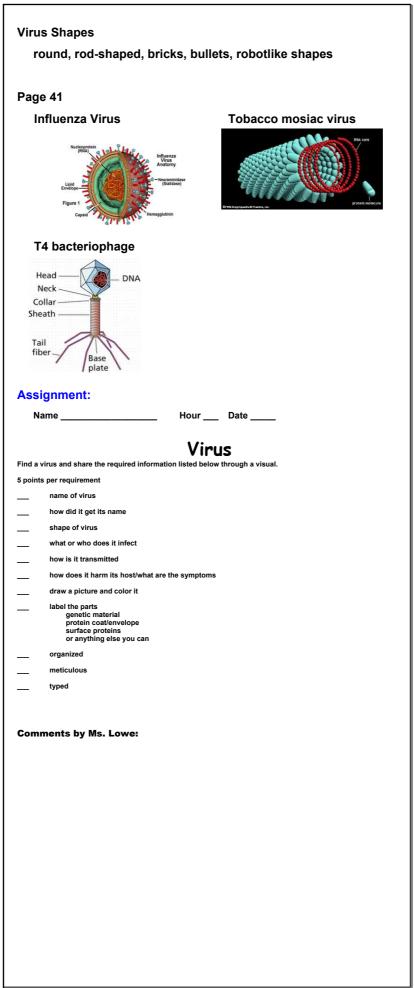
host - an organism that provides a source of energy for a virus or another organism

Virus acts like a parasite.

parasite - an organism that lives on or in a host and causes it harm

Most viruses destroy the cell in which they use.

Even though the parasite lives on or in a host and causes it harm, the host usually continues to live and provide a source of energy for the parasite.



Review

What two structural components are present in every virus?

protein coat inner core of genetic material

Naming Viruses

Living organisms have the two part naming system but viruses are not living so this method is not used.

Scientists name them by the disease they cause or the area they were discovered.

How do viruses multiply?

A virus will attach itself to a host cell. Once the virus is inside, the virus releases its genetic material into the cell. The genetic material takes over the cells functions. The virus tells the cell to produce the virus's proteins and genetic material. Which when produced will develop into new viruses.

Structure of a Virus

All viruses have:

protein coat for protection inner core that contains the genetic material each virus contains unique surface proteins these proteins allow viruses only attach to certain hosts

example

cold viruses attact the nose and throat cells

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How do Viruses interact with the Living World?

Viruses cause disease and we treat the symptoms. Colds run through the body quickly but some can be deadly.

Viruses do not just affect humans. Plants and animals can get viruses also.

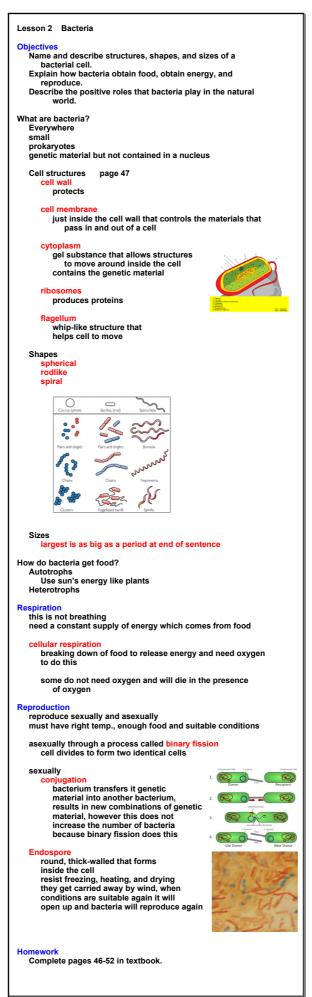
Viruses are not all bad!!

Scientists use viruses to attach to cells and act as a messenger due to the proteins that attach themselves to cells.

Vaccine

may be weakened or dead viruses (because they are weakened or dead they do not cause disease) that are put into the body to produce chemicals that destroy these harmful viruses but puts your body into defense mode

how this helps is-when it enters your body it is destroyed before it can make you sick



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What is the role of Bacteria in Nature?

We have talked about that when you think of bacteria you think of bad things.

Most bacteria is harmless or helpful to humans.

Oxygen Production

Some bacteria use the sun's energy to produce food and their by-product is O₂.

Scientists think that bacteria is what is responsible for the air on Earth.

Food Production

Some bacteria help to create different food but it does not have a taste.

Some bacteria will cause food to spoil.

Refrigeration and Pasteurization help to slow down bacteria growth.

Pasteurization

Food is heated to a temp. that will kill the bacteria and will not change the taste of the food

Health/Medicine

Bacteria produce vitamins your body needs.

Good Bacteria prevent bad bacteria from attaching to your intestines which could make you sick.

Bacteria is altered genetically to make insulin.

Environmental Cleanup

Bacteria is used to clean up oil spills by converting the poisonous chemicals into harmless substances.

Environmental Recycling

Decomposers

organisms that break down complex chemicals in dead organisms into simple compounds

natural recyclers

return chemicals back to the environment that other organisms can use

leaves

as leaves break down chemicals go into the soil to be absorbed by plants

nitrogen fixing bacteria

live in roots of certain plants plants need nitrogen from the air but can not get it themselves, so bacteria will change nitrogen gas into nitrogen products that the plant needs

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